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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
Masakatsu OTA et al.)	Prior Examiner: Unassigned
Application No.: 09/986,303)	Prior Group Art Unit: 2872
Filed: November 8, 2001)	
For: PROJECTION EXPOSURE)	February 27, 2002
APPARATUS AND DEVICE)	
MANUFACTURING METHOD)	
USING THE SAME)	

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

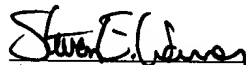
Further to the Information Disclosure Statement filed January 4, 2002, in compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 form. A copy of the listed document is also enclosed.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the issuance of a first Office Action on the merits. Therefore, no fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(c)(2) is believed to be due. Nevertheless, the Commissioner may charge Deposit Account No. 06-1205, should any fee be due for filing this paper.

Applicants request that the cited information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449 Form be initialed and returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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